FIFE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417 PIERCE AND KING COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

CAPITAL PROJECTS TECHNOLOGY LEVY

RESOLUTION NO. 15-18

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WHEREAS, the educational facilities of Fife School District No. 417, Pierce and King Counties, Washington (the "District"), including technology facilities are in need of improvements and expansion to meet the current and future educational programs for its students; and

WHEREAS, funds available to the District will be insufficient to enable the District to implement such projects; and

WHEREAS, in order to support the cost of these projects as found necessary by the Board of Directors, it is deemed advisable that the District levy a tax upon all the taxable property within the District in excess of the annual tax the District is permitted by law to levy without a vote of the people, such levy to be made for six years commencing in 2016 for collection in the calendar years from 2017 through 2022, inclusive, as authorized by Article VII, Section 2 of the State Constitution and RCW 84.52.053; and

WHEREAS, the question of whether or not such excess tax may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection; and

WHEREAS, the conditions here and above set forth require the holding of a special election in the District;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF FIFE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417, PIERCE AND KING COUNTIES, WASHINGTON as follows:

Section 1. Finding. It is hereby found and declared that the welfare of the students and other residents of the District require the District to carry out the improvements hereinafter provided.

Section 2. <u>Authorization of Improvements</u>. The District shall modernize its educational facilities through the acquisition and installation of technology systems, including computers, training and implementation support, and shall make other Capital Project Fund expenditures as found necessary.

The District may repay any obligations hereafter incurred for the foregoing purposes.

If available funds are sufficient, the District shall acquire, construct, equip and make other capital improvements to the facilities of the District, all as the Board of Directors finds necessary; provided that such funds may be used only to support the construction, modernization, replacement, and remodeling of school facilities or implementation of the District's technology facilities plan.

If the District shall determine that it has become impracticable to accomplish any of such improvements or portions thereof by reason of changed conditions or needs, incompatible development, costs substantially in excess of those estimated, or acquisition by a superior governmental authority, the District shall not be required to accomplish such improvement and may apply levy proceeds as set forth in this section. If any or all of the improvements have been completed, or their completion duly provided for, or their completion found to be impractical, the District may apply the levy proceeds or any portion thereof to other portions of the improvements or to other capital purposes of the District, as the District in its discretion shall

determine. Notwithstanding any provision of this resolution to the contrary, levy proceeds may only be used to support the construction, modernization or remodeling of school facilities or implementation of the District's technology facilities plan.

Section 3. Authorization of Levies. It is hereby found and declared that best interests of the District require the submission to the qualified electors of the District of the proposition whether the District shall make the Capital Projects Fund levies for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held on February 9, 2016. For the purpose of providing funds necessary for the needs described in Section 2 above, the Pierce County Auditor, as ex officio supervisor of elections in Pierce County, is hereby requested to call and conduct such special election to be held within the District on such day and to submit to the qualified electors of the District for their approval or rejection, a proposition providing for tax levies for the Capital Projects Fund for six years, commencing in 2016, producing dollar amounts at estimated tax rates per thousand dollars of assessed value to produce such amounts, in excess of the maximum amount tax levy permitted by law to be levied within the District without a vote of the electors, all as follows:

- A. \$1,225,000, said levy to be made in 2016 for collection in 2017;
- B. \$1,225,000, said levy to be made in 2017 for collection in 2018;
- C. \$1,225,000, said levy to be made in 2018 for collection in 2019;
- D. \$1,225,000, said levy to be made in 2019 for collection in 2020;
- E. \$1,225,000, said levy to be made in 2020 for collection in 2021; and
- F. \$1,225,000, said levy to be made in 2021 for collection in 2022.

The estimated levy rate depends upon the final dollar amount of assessed value of the property within the District. At this time, based upon information provided by the County Assessor's

office, the estimated levy rate for the 2016 levy is \$0.39 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2017 levy is \$0.38 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2018 levy is \$0.37 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2019 levy is \$0.35 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, the estimated levy rate for the 2020 levy is \$0.34 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, and the estimated levy rate for the 2021 levy is \$0.33 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.

Section 4. Approval of Form of Ballot. The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition to the Pierce County Auditor, as ex officio supervisor of elections in Pierce County, substantially in the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1

FIFE SCHOOL DISTRICT

CAPITAL PROJECTS TECHNOLOGY LEVY

The Board of Directors of Fife School District No. 417 approved a proposition for capital technology levies. This proposition authorizes acquiring educational technology, equipment and training, including classroom computers; and authorizes the following excess levies for such purposes on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2017	\$0.39	\$ 1,225,000
2018	\$0.38	\$ -1,225,000
2019	\$0.37	\$ 1,225,000
2020	\$0.35	\$ 1,225,000
2021	\$0.34	\$ 1,225,000
2022	\$0.33	\$ 1,225,000

all as provided in the Resolution. Should this proposition be approved?

YES	
NO	

Section 5. Voters' Pamphlet Pursuant to authority granted by RCW 29A.32.220, the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the District's participation in the local voters' pamphlet for the February 9, 2016 election and requests that King County Elections prepare and publish a voter's pamphlet for this proposition. The District understands and agrees that it will be required to pay its proportionate share of the expenses of the voters' pamphlet.

The Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District is hereby authorized and directed to deliver certified copies of this resolution to the Pierce County Auditor and King County Elections.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Fife School District No. 417, Pierce and King Counties, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof, held this 30th day of November, 2015.

FIFE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 417 PIERCE AND KING COUNTIES, WASHINGTON

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Member

Marisa Muha

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ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Directors